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SUBJECT: AIRCRAFT HIJACKING PROCEDURES

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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED REFTEL WITH FONOFF FIRST
CONSULAR DEPDIR KOBAYASHI. KOBAYASHI EXPLAINED THAT
DURING HIJACKING AND TERRORIST INCIDENTS INVOLVING
JAPAN, FONOFF REGULARLY ESTABLISHED "OPERATIONS
GROUP" UNDER LEADERSHIP OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS DIRECTOR GENERAL
KEISUKE OCHI. GROUP WAS USUALLY STAFFED BY MEMBERS
OF FIRST CONSULAR DIVISION AND PERSONNEL FROM
APPROPRIATE REGIONAL BUREAU WITHIN FONOFF. DURING
HIJACKING INVOLVING US AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS GROUP
WOULD MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH US EMBASSY, GENERAL
AFFAIRS DIVISION OF CIVIL AVIATION BUREAU WITHIN
TRANSPORT MINISTRY, AND OTHER GOJ AGENCIES SUCH AS
NATIONAL POLICE. SPECIAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF FONOFF
OPERATIONS GROUP, ACTIVATED ONLY DURING CRISIS,
ARE 581-7151-6; OCHI'S REGULAR NUMBER IS 581-6764.

2. KOBAYASHI NOTED THAT BOTH ORGANIZATION AND
PROCEDURES OF OPERATIONS GROUP MIGHT VARY ACCORDING
TO NATURE OF INCIDENT. FOR INSTANCE, IN EVENT
OF US AIRCRAFT HIJACKED ON DOMESTIC SEGMENT OF
INTERNATIONAL ROUTE BETWEEN OSAKA AND TOKYO,
CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTORATE WOULD PLAY GREATER ROLE.

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KOBAYASHI OBSERVED THAT SHOULD "MAJOR DECISION"

BE REQUIRED OF GOJ DURING COURSE OF HIJACKING,
QUESTION WOULD PROBABLY BE REFERRED UP TO FOREIGN
MINISTER OR EVEN PRIME MINISTER.
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